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Application No.: 09/711,476 Group: 1655
Filed: November 13, 2000 Examiner: J. Fredman
For: PARALLEL PRIMER EXTENSION APPROACH TO NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCE ANALYSIS

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

[] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
[] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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X	\$42	\$ 0		
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X	\$84	\$ 0		
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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT A

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 10, 2001 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

A three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A three-month Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows: